

St. Mary's Parish, Papakura

Parish Pastoral Council Nomination Form 2025

Kindly read the following helpful points before filling up this form:

- 1) Nominations open on **Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February** and close on **Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025**. Send the nominations in a sealed envelop to Parish Office, "**Nomination to PPC 2025**". The nine vacancies to the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will be filled through secrete ballot at the Parish Annual General Meeting to be held on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 12:00 pm.
- 2) All those nominated need to be physically present at the Parish Annual General Meeting and present themselves to the Parish and be elected. Failure to be present at the AGM without leave will nullify the nomination.
- 3) To be a member of the PPC one must be a Catholic, registered in our parish, has been worshipping regularly in this parish church for a reasonable period of time, willing to attend the monthly meeting of PPC, show love for the Church, and have a desire and will to share in the life and mission of our parish.
- 4) Membership of the PPC needs to reflect the composition of the parish namely the ethnic diversity, Schools, various groups, movements, youth, and associations operating in the parish. There will be no direct nomination to the PPC.
- 5) For the Parish Council Guidelines of the Dioceses of Auckland, please visit <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/discipleship/pastoral-councils> or contact Fr. Mathew.

Full Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

(Landline)

(mobile)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of the Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of the Seconder: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **The Needs of the Parish**

The Parish Pastoral Council is not a body of representatives but a representative body. Its primary function is to set the vision and plan to make “the life and activity of the parish ever more closely conform to the gospel.” The focus is on the pastoral aspect of the parish.

PPC to determine how they will meet the variety of needs within the parish. This might be through members holding portfolios around which they invite other parishioners to contribute ideas and talent thus forming sub-committees. Some of these areas of responsibility are:

1. **Liturgy** - including liturgical music, Liturgical formation & Ministries
2. **Faith Formation** - sacramental programmes, religious education for those children not in Catholic schools and adult faith education, RCIC/RCIA, Alpha, Baptism Preparation
3. **Caring/Service/Hospitality** *This might include connecting with representatives of all groups who offer a service to meet immediate needs, whether within the parish or outside of it. For example, visiting and taking Communion to the sick, grief ministry, homework centres, St Vincent de Paul, foodbanks, hospital transport, school breakfasts, gardening for pensioners, referrals to professional services, family support, working with refugees, ESOL, etc.*
4. **Multicultural & Ethnic Communities**
5. **Youth Ministry**
6. **Justice and Peace**  
*If the parish has a Social Justice animator they would be linked to the PPC through this area*
7. **Ecumenical and Interfaith Relationships**
8. **Family Life**
9. **Mission Outreach**
10. **School**